IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 3, with the following paragraph:

5. The resin composition described in the above 4, wherein the conjugate diene has a ~~1,4-vinyl bond~~1,4-bond amount of 90% or more;

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 24, with the following paragraph:

When HIPS is used, it is preferred that the conjugate diene content is from 1 to 20% by weight, preferably from 3 to 15% by weight, and more preferably from 5 to 10% by weight. Further, in terms of inhibiting the growth of a crack in a molded article due to a chemical, it is preferred that the average dispersed particle size of the conjugate diene is from 0.5 to 3.0 μm, preferably from 0.7 to 2.5 μm, and more preferably from 1.0 to 2.0 μm. The average dispersed particle size of the conjugate diene can be obtained by the Coulter counter method under conditions of 100 mg/100 cc, the use of a THF solvent and 23°C. Further, from the viewpoint of heat stability, the ~~1,4-vinyl bond~~1,4-bond amount of the conjugate diene is preferably 90% or more, and the unsaturated bonds are preferably partially hydrogenated.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 14, with the following paragraph:

HIPS: Rubber-reinforced polystyrene having a rubber (polybutadiene) particle size of 1.5 μm on average, a rubber content of 10% by weight, a ~~1,4-vinyl bond~~1,4-bond content of 92% and an MFR (ISO R1133, a load of 5 kg, 200°C) of 2.7 g/10 min (weight average molecular weight of matrix: 170,000, molecular weight distribution: 2.2)